

assessments heretofore appointed, or of other officers of said city, or any proceedings heretofore had in pursuance of law; and any assessments or other proceedings pending or unfinished, made or had under any act hereby repealed, shall not, by reason of this act, abate, but shall continue and conform to, and be completed and be enforced under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 41. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved February 28, 1873.

CHAPTER XII.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CITY OF MANKATO.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota :

SECTION 1. The city of Mankato shall by [be] divided into four wards, to be called the first, second, third and fourth wards, and shall be limited, bounded and described as follows, to-wit :

All that portion of the city of Mankato lying northerly of a line commencing on the east bank of the Minnesota river, in the centre of Plum street, thence along the centre of Plum street to the centre of Sixth street, thence down the centre of Sixth street to the centre of Marsh street, thence along the centre of Marsh street to the city limits, shall constitute the first ward of the city of Mankato.

All that portion of the city of Mankato lying southerly of the above described line, and between said line and one commencing at a point on the bank of the Minnesota river, opposite the end of Hickory street, thence eastwardly along the centre of Hickory street to the centre of Hanover street, thence along the centre of Hanover street to the centre of Pearl street, thence along the centre of Pearl street to the centre of Hanover [Hannah] street, thence along the centre of Hanover [Hannah] to the centre of Main street, thence eastwardly along the centre of Main street to the city limits, shall constitute the second ward of the city of Mankato.

All that portion of the city of Mankato lying southerly of the last described line, and between said line and one commencing at a point on the bank of the Minnesota river on the section line between section eighteen (18), town one hundred and eight (108), range twenty-

six (26), and section thirteen, (13), town one hundred and eight (108), range twenty-seven (27), thence south along section line to the centre of Front street, thence down the centre of Front street to the centre of Liberty street, thence along the centre of Liberty street to the centre of Fourth street, thence along the centre of Fourth street to the centre of Warren street, thence along the centre of Warren street to Fifth street, thence along the centre of the Bunker Hill Road to the city limits, shall constitute the third ward of the city of Mankato.

All that portion of the city of Mankato lying southerly of the last described line, shall constitute the fourth ward of the city of Mankato.

The boundaries of the above wards may be altered or changed, and new wards established, by a vote to that effect of two-thirds of the members elect of the common council, whenever it may be deemed necessary or proper.

SEC. 2. At the next annual election, to be held in said city on the first Tuesday of April, 1873, there shall be elected in and for each of said four wards, three aldermen, who shall be residents within and qualified voters of the ward for which they shall be elected. Of such aldermen, in each ward, one shall be elected for the term of one year, who shall hold his office until his successor shall be elected and qualified; one for the term of two years, who shall hold his office until his successor shall be elected and qualified; and one for the term of three years, who shall hold his office until his successor shall be elected and qualified. At every succeeding annual election there shall be elected, in and for each ward, one alderman, who shall hold his office for three years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified.

SEC. 3. On or before the first Thursday of March, A. D. eighteen hundred and seventy-three, the common council of said city shall designate a place in each of the above described wards for the holding of an election, and shall appoint three legal voters in each of said wards as judges of election in their respective wards. It shall be the duty of the judges of each of said wards, on the Saturday next preceding said election, from the hour of nine o'clock in the forenoon until the hour of four o'clock in the afternoon, and for two hours next preceding the opening of the polls on the day of election, to be present at the place appointed for holding such election, for the purpose of making all necessary corrections of the poll lists of their respective wards. And said judges shall appoint in their respective wards two legal voters as clerks of election, before the opening of the polls.

SEC. 4. The aldermen heretofore elected in said city, and who are now in office, shall remain in office, and continue to perform the

duties incident thereto, until the aldermen to be elected, as in the preceding section provided, shall have been elected and qualified; and thereupon the term of office of all the aldermen of said city, heretofore elected, shall cease.

SEC. 5. Section four of chapter thirteen of the special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Mankato," and all laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 4, 1873.

CHAPTER XIII.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CITY OF MANKATO."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That the act of the legislature of said state entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Mankato," approved March sixth, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, be amended by adding at the end of chapter five thereof the following additional sections:

Sec. 9. The common council shall have the power, for the purpose of aiding in the construction or equipment of any railroad or railroads, to issue or cause to be issued the bonds of said city with interest coupons attached, in such amounts, of such denominations, payable at such time and in such place, and bearing such rate of interest not exceeding eight per cent. per annum and payable annually or semi-annually as the common council may, by resolution, determine; *Provided*, That the amount of bonds issued in pursuance of the provisions of this act shall not, at any time, exceed ten per centum of taxable property within said city, as ascertained and determined by the last assessment of said property made for the purpose of state and county taxation, previous to the last issuing of any such bonds; *Provided, also*, That no such bonds shall be issued until the issuing of the same shall have been approved by the vote in favor thereof of the majority of those electors of said city who shall vote upon the question of the issuing of such bonds, at an election at which such question shall be submitted as hereinafter provided.